

SENIOR NEWSLETTER MARCH 2017
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Dear Friends,

Spring is on the way I promise!!!! I am planning some lectures, workshops and events for later in the spring so be on the lookout! Please read below for some reminders about scams, fuel assistance and tax relief.

SCAM HELPFUL HINTS

Copy all credit and ID cards front and back for your records. If you lose your wallet you will be able to contact the appropriate companies for replacements and stop payments. **Never let a stranger into your home-day or night.** This includes workmen trying to sell a quick repair job from leftover materials from a nearby project-driveway, roofing, etc. Anyone stranded with a broken down care or people waiting for a neighbor to return. These are usually ways to get into your home, distract you and then steal cash, jewelry, etc. **Keep your plans to yourself!** Do not post plans about being away from home on any social media site. This is an invitation for burglars to come to your home and help themselves.

STATE TAX RELIEF PROGRAM

Qualifications for income for the **Elderly and Totally Disabled Tax Relief Program** applications are **Single \$35,200** and **Married \$42,900**. These levels are to be used for the 2016 Grand List Homeowner and Renter applications, 2017 Grand List Additional Veteran's applications and may also be used for any local option programs. You must provide your 2016 income along with Social Security Statement (1099) for 2016. Call Rachel or Terri in the Assessor's Office for applications and/or questions you might have at 203-268-6291.

DEADLINE FOR FUEL ASSISTANCE

If you applied for fuel assistance, deliveries end on **March 15th** so make sure you call ABCD before that date. Please call my office 203-268-1137 with any questions you may have.

Please, call Pam Healy to arrange a visit. She is a caring listener, and has valuable information about the social services programs and resources available to you. As your **Easton Outreach Visitor**, Pam is available to you with just a phone call 203-261-0289.

The Commission for the Aging will meet on Monday March 6th at 5 pm at the ESC.

Happy St. Patrick's Day